

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

HONOLULU

April 13, 2007

STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS TO SENATE BILL NO. 776

Honorable Members
Twenty-Fourth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, I am returning herewith, without my approval, Senate Bill No. 776, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to Fire Protection."

The purpose of this bill is to clarify that the State, and not the individual county fire departments, is responsible for the fire inspection of State-owned airport facilities required by law.

A substantially identical bill, House Bill No. 1138, was also passed by the Legislature. Because I approved House Bill No. 1138, as Act 10 of 2007, which accomplished the same purpose as this bill, there is no necessity to also approve this bill.

For the foregoing reason, I am returning Senate Bill No. 776 without my approval.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Linda Lingle", written over a circular stamp.

LINDA LINGLE
Governor of Hawaii